

the first four calendar quarters occurring after the date of enactment of H.R. 50, then the amendments made by H.R. 50 are repealed (by a recorded vote of 173 ayes to 249 noes, Roll No. 62).

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H. Res. 78, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 527) and (H.R. 50) was agreed to by a recorded vote of 243 ayes to 179 noes, Roll No. 60, after the previous question was ordered by a yeand-nay vote of 242 yeas to 174 nays, Roll No. 59.

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**Meeting Hour:** Agreed by unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 9 a.m. tomorrow, February 5.

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**Joint Economic Committee's—Appointment:** The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of the following Member of the House to the Joint Economic Committee: Representative Carolyn B. Maloney (NY).

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**Presidential Message:** Read a message from the President wherein he notified Congress that the national emergency declared in Executive Order 13396 of February 7, 2006 with respect to the situation in or in relation to Cote d'Ivoire is to continue in effect beyond February 7, 2015—referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and ordered to be printed (H. Doc. 113–6).

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**Senate Message:** Message received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appears on pages H762–63.

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** One yeand-nay vote and five recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H771–72, H772, H784–85, H785, H787, and H787–88. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:13 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### FINAL RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE MILITARY COMPENSATION AND RETIREMENT MODERNIZATION COMMISSION

*Committee on Armed Services:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Final Recommendations from the Military Compensation and Retirement Modernization Commission”. Testimony was heard from Stephen E. Buyer, Commissioner, Military Compensation and Retirement Modernization Commission; General Peter W. Chiarelli, USA (Retired), Commissioner, Military Compensation and Retirement Modernization Commission; Admiral Edmund P. Giambastiani, Jr., USN (Retired), Commissioner,

Military Compensation and Retirement Modernization Commission; Michael Higgins, Commissioner, Military Compensation and Retirement Modernization Commission; and Alphonso Maldon, Jr., Chairman, Military Compensation and Retirement Modernization Commission.

### THE PRESIDENT'S FISCAL YEAR 2016 BUDGET

*Committee on the Budget:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “The President's Fiscal Year 2016 Budget”. Testimony was heard from Shaun L.S. Donovan, Director, Office of Management and Budget.

### EXPANDING OPPORTUNITY IN AMERICA'S SCHOOLS AND WORKPLACES

*Committee on Education and the Workforce:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Expanding Opportunity in America's Schools and Workplaces”. Testimony was heard from Mike Pence, Governor, State of Indiana; and public witnesses.

### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Communications and Technology held a markup on the “Federal Communications Commission Consolidated Reporting Act of 2015”. The “Federal Communications Commission Consolidated Reporting Act of 2015” was forwarded to the full committee, as amended.

### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

*Committee on Energy and Commerce:* Subcommittee on Health held a markup on H.R. 639, the “Improving Regulatory Transparency for New Medical Therapies Act”; H.R. 471, the “Ensuring Patient Access and Effective Drug Enforcement Act”; the “Trauma Systems and Regionalization of Emergency Care Reauthorization Act”; and the “Access to Life-Saving Trauma Care for All Americans Act”. The following bill was forwarded to the full committee, as amended: H.R. 639. The following were forwarded to the full committee, without amendment: H.R. 471; the “Trauma Systems and Regionalization of Emergency Care Reauthorization Act”; and the “Access to Life-Saving Trauma Care for All Americans Act”.

### EXPLORING ALLEGED ETHICAL AND LEGAL VIOLATIONS AT THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

*Committee on Financial Services:* Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing entitled “Exploring Alleged Ethical and Legal Violations at

the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development”. Testimony was heard from David Montoya, Inspector General, Office of the Inspector General, Department of Housing and Urban Development; and Edda Emmanuelli Perez, Managing Associate General Counsel, Office of General Counsel, Government Accountability Office.

#### **CUBA: ASSESSING THE ADMINISTRATION'S SUDDEN SHIFT**

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Cuba: Assessing the Administration’s Sudden Shift”. Testimony was heard from Roberta S. Jacobson, Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Western Hemisphere Affairs, Department of State; John E. Smith, Deputy Director, Office of Foreign Assets Control, Department of the Treasury; and Matthew S. Borman, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Export Administration, Bureau of Industry and Security, Department of Commerce.

#### **THE PALESTINIAN AUTHORITY’S INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL COURT GAMBIT: A TRUE PARTNER FOR PEACE?**

*Committee on Foreign Affairs:* Subcommittee on the Middle East and North Africa held a hearing entitled “The Palestinian Authority’s International Criminal Court Gambit: A True Partner for Peace?”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

#### **COMMITTEE FUNDING FOR THE 114TH CONGRESS**

*Committee on House Administration:* Full Committee began a hearing on committee funding for the 114th Congress. Testimony was heard from Chairman Nunes, Chairman Ryan of Wisconsin, Chairman Goodlatte, Chairman Conaway, Chairman Price of Georgia, Chairman Shuster, Chairman Chabot, Chairman Kline, Chairman Sessions, Chairman Smith of Texas, Chairman Miller of Florida, and Representatives Schiff, Levin, Conyers, Peterson, Van Hollen, DeFazio, Velázquez, Scott of Virginia, Slaughter, Eddie Bernice Johnson of Texas, and Brown of Florida.

#### **LEGISLATIVE HEARING**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Immigration and Border Security held a hearing on the “Legal Workforce Act”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

#### **LEGISLATIVE HEARING**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Regulatory Reform, Commercial and Antitrust Law held a hearing on H.R. 526, the “Furthering Asbestos Claim Transparency (FACT) Act of 2015”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

#### **MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES**

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Full Committee held a markup on H.R. 644, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to permanently extend and expand the charitable deduction for contributions of food inventory; H.R. 637, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make permanent the rule allowing certain tax-free distributions from individual retirement accounts for charitable purposes; H.R. 641, the “Conservation Easement Incentive Act of 2015”; H.R. 640, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify the tax rate for excise tax on investment income of private foundations; H.R. 636, the “America’s Small Business Tax Relief Act of 2015”; H.R. 629, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make permanent the reduced recognition period for built-in gains of S corporations; H.R. 630, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make permanent certain rules regarding basis adjustments to stock of S corporations making charitable contributions of property. The following bills were ordered reported, as amended: H.R. 644, H.R. 637, H.R. 641, H.R. 640, H.R. 636, H.R. 629, and H.R. 630.

### *Joint Meetings*

No joint committee meetings were held.

#### **COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2015**

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

##### **Senate**

*Committee on Armed Services:* to hold hearings to examine the Guantanamo detention facility and the future of United States detention policy, 9:30 a.m., SD–G50.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Subcommittee on Consumer Protection, Product Safety, and Insurance, to hold hearings to examine data breach and notification legislation in the 114th Congress, 10 a.m., SR–253.

*Committee on Finance:* to continue hearings to examine the President’s proposed budget request for fiscal year 2016, 10 a.m., SD–215.

*Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions:* to hold hearings to examine the “joint employer” standard and business ownership, 10 a.m., SD–430.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* business meeting to consider S. 337, to improve the Freedom of Information Act, S. 295, to amend section 2259 of title 18, United States Code, and the nominations of Michael P. Botticelli, of the District of Columbia, to be Director of National Drug Control Policy, Jeanne E. Davidson, of Maryland, to be a Judge of the United States Court of International